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The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Chair U.S. House Committee on Appropriations H-307 The Capitol Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Kay Granger Ranking Member U.S. House Committee on Appropriations 1036 Longworth House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger,

I am submitting a programmatic funding request on behalf of the Buffalo Bayou Partnership in its Silo Park Adaptive Re-Use and the Japhet Creek Trail and Park Project for fiscal year 2023 to the Subcommittee on Transportation and Housing and Urban Development in the amount of \$6.4 million.

This funding will create a public park and facility which can be utilized by the Fifth Ward community for benefits related to economic development, quality of life, recreation, health, and wellness. Note that this project is proposed to ultimately be connected north to Finnigan Park, the proposed Bus Rapid Transit on Lockwood, and to the expanded Tony Marron Park, via a future shared use bridge, on the south side of Buffalo Bayou. The project will be one of the Partnership's catalytic investments in this area of the Master Plan corridor and will leverage ongoing and adjacent efforts to construct trail connections and improve related streambank stabilization along the Bayou itself. The historic concrete silos will serve as an area attraction and provide an opportunity for unique photos, public art exhibits, play, education and will otherwise leverage a historic community asset.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in any of these projects.

Very truly yours,

Sheila Jackson Lee

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